

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for recording still picture group management information for managing one or more still pictures as a still picture group onto a storage medium, said method comprising a step of:

recording still picture management information in said still picture group management information in the same order of recording corresponding still pictures , wherein said still picture management information is classified into types of still picture management information including

a first type of still picture management information on a still picture with no audio to be reproduced in synchronism with the reproduction of the still picture,

a second type of still picture management information on a still picture with only ~~the an~~ original audio recorded substantially at the same time the still picture was recorded,

a third type of still picture management information on a still picture with only a post-recorded audio added to the still picture already recorded, and

a fourth type of still picture management information on a still picture with both of ~~the an~~ original audio and a post-recorded audio added to the still picture already recorded, and

wherein said still picture management information has a data size designated by said type.

2. (previously presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said first type of still picture management information includes identification information for identifying said first type of still picture management information and size information of image data of the still picture corresponding to said first type of still picture management information.

3. (currently amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said second type of still picture management information includes identification information for identifying said second type of still picture management information, size information of image data of the still pictures picture corresponding to said second type of still picture management information, size information of original audio data of the still picture corresponding to said second type of still picture management information and a playback time of the original audio data.

4. (previously presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said third type of still picture management information includes identification information for identifying said third type of still picture management information, size information of image data of the still picture corresponding to said third type of still picture management information, and pointer information for providing a link to a post-recorded audio data of the still picture corresponding to said third type of still picture management information.

5. (currently amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said fourth type of still picture management information includes identification information for identifying said fourth type of still picture management

information, size information of image data of the still picture corresponding to said fourth type of still picture management information, size information of original audio data of the still ~~picture~~picture corresponding to said fourth type of still picture management information, a playback time of ~~the~~an original audio data and pointer information for providing a link to a post-recorded audio data of the still picture corresponding to said fourth type of still picture management information.

Claim 6 (canceled)